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IN THE ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE:

The abstract is changed as follows:

Device enabling A device which enables different spreading factors whilst preserving a common scrambling code, in particular for transmission in a code division multiple access cellular mobile radio system. The The device including, on transmission, a grouper for grouping the various data symbols of a kth incoming sequence (k=1, ..., K) into different blocks of QMAX/QK symbols, and a spreader for spreading K incoming sequences by means of K respective spreading codes of respective length Qk (k=1, ..., K) which is a sub-multiple of a maximum length QMAX, and scrambling the spread sequences obtained in this way wherein the spreader spreads the blocks from the kth incoming sequence (k=1, ..., K) by means of the corresponding code of length Qk to obtain a spread sequence including different spread blocks of length QMAX. The device further includes a scrambler for scrambling each of the K spread sequences obtained in this way using a scrambling code of length QMAX.

- means for grouping the various data symbols of the kth incoming sequence (k=1, ..., K) into different blocks of Q_{MAX}/Q_K-symbols,
- means for spreading the blocks from the kth incoming sequence (k=1, ..., K) by means of the corresponding code of length Q_k to obtain a spread sequence including different spread blocks of length Q_{MAX},
- means for scrambling each of the K spread sequences obtained in this way using a scrambling code of length Q_{MAX} .

